

中文題目：*HSD3β* 基因多型性在原發性皮質醛酮症病人扮演的角色

英文題目：*HSD3β* Gene Polymorphisms and Primary Aldosteronism

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Objects: The *HSD3β* pathway plays a pivotal role in aldosterone synthesis. This study aims to determine the total contributions of *HSD3β* and *HSD3β2* genes to primary aldosteronism (PA) using a tagSNP approach.

Methods : In a case-control cohort, 688 consecutive ethnically matched unrelated individuals comprising 362 PA and 326 essential hypertension were recruited. Nineteen tag single nucleotide polymorphisms across the *HSD3β1*, *HSD3β2* and *CYP11b2* were genotyped. Expression of *HSD3β* mRNA and immunoblot analysis to the specimens of aldosterone-producing adenoma (APA) were compared with non-functional incidentaloma.

Results : The AG heterozygotes (OR= 1.92, 95%CI, 1.13-3.32, p= 0.018, corresponding a population attributable risk fraction (PAF), 6.7%) of rs12410453 and CC homozygotes (OR= 2.21, 95%CI, 1.28-3.95, p= 0.006, PAF 30.7%) of rs6203 were related to PA. The expression of *HSD3β1* mRNA, *HSD3β2* mRNA and *HSD3β* protein increased in APA, in comparison with incidentaloma. The interaction between rs6203 and rs12410453 polymorphisms had synergistic effect on the increased plasma aldosterone to renin ratio. The haplotypes in a LD block containing rs6203 were significantly associated with serum potassium level (OR, 1.24; 95% CI, 1.02-1.50).

Conclusions : We identify risk-conferring genetic variations in *HSD3β* gene influences susceptibility to PA. Concomitant presence of rs6203 CC and rs12410453 GA genotypes synergistically increased the predisposition to PA. Correlation between allele of the *HSD3β* gene and raised ARR likely serve a role in PA management.